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Nor are the instances quoted a tithe of those which could be given. It would, indeed, seem that the particular foibles of the collector are exploited to better purpose than any other human weakness, and certainly than any other weakness of such amiable character. Probably the fabricator of forged antiques himself regards his business as quite a legitimate sphere of activity, and there is something to be said for this view. For he does, in fact, supply a genuine demand, which

must otherwise in most cases, owing to the ravages of time and a thousand destructive agencies throughout the centuries, go unsatisfied, and to this extent it is possible that his nefarious activities do on the whole add to the sum of human happiness. And it is almost certain that many a collector, gloating over the possession of some fancied treasure, would thank little enough the expert knowledge that would reveal to him that same treasure's true value and real origin.

W. J. STEVENSON.

From Chambers's Journal, London.

I LOVED YOU ONCE

I loved you once. Perhaps not all extinguished
 Within my heart the flame that burned in vain;
 But let my love no longer yet disturb you:
 I would not wish in aught to give you pain.
 I loved you once,—now jealous and now fearful;
 My heart nor asked nor hoped for love from you.
 I loved you once,—as tenderly, as truly
 As he you'll love, God grant, shall love you too.

A. S. PUSHKIN.

From the Russian Review, London.